IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: KUME

Title: METHODS OF USING AN INTRAVASCULAR BALLOON
CATHETER IN COMBINATION WITH AN ANGIOSCOPE

Docket No.: SMP0179US02

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		4,607,635	08/26/1986	Heyden			
		4,850,348	07/25/1989	Pell et al.			
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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